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MEMORANDUM FOR: AFIGO-S

ATTENTION: Colonel L. P. Geary, Headquarters USAF

SUBJECT: Installation of Fuel Probe in KC-135
Refueling Tanks

1. As you know, there has been much work going on to solve the fuel quantity measuring problem with the new FF-1 fuel. This office has been advised that a prototype kit of a new compatible fuel probe will be available on or about 15 April. In order to obtain a service test of the probe, and an installation service bulletin, it is necessary to arrange for the use of a KC-135 aircraft.

2. It is requested that your office coordinate with SAC to make available a KC-135 on 22 April for an estimated six days. The installation is scheduled to be made at Castle Air Force Base which will require approximately three days. Upon completion of the installation, it will be necessary to have a cleared flight crew ferry the KC-135 [] where calibrations and adjustments will be undertaken during the remaining three days.

3. Please advise this office of any problems which may result in delaying this very necessary testing.

FOR THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR (RESEARCH)

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RECAPITULATION OF AIR ACTIVITIES, WEEK ENDING 20 MARCH 1963

SUBJECT	VEHICLE	DATE	TARGET COUNTRY	BY	APPROVED	DATE	ACTION
IDEALIST/TACKLE							
Sortie	U-2	14-20 Mar	South China	Special Group	17 Jan		Weather was checked daily until 15 Mar although the aircraft were restricted to training flights due to generator malfunctions. On 15 Mar it was determined that the generator fix date was indefinite. Weather forecasts were curtailed on this date. Actual weather for each area has been recorded daily.
Sortie	U-2	14-20 Mar	Szechwan Basin	Special Group	25 Jan		Modified generators are enroute to operational detachment. Estimated operational ready date approximately 26 March 1963.
Sortie	U-2	14-20 Mar	Missile Test Range, Paotou (N. China)	Special Group	17 Jan		
CORONA (L)							
Sortie (001)	Thor (TAT)	14-20 Mar	USSR (Primary)	Special Group	31 Jan		Originally programmed for launch 26 Feb; slipped to 17 March due payload checkout problems. Other range commitments forced a delay until 18 Mar. Vehicle was launched at 181713 EST but failed to achieve orbit due to premature AGENA shutdown.

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SUBJECT	VEHICLE	DATE	TARGET	COUNTRY	BY	DATE	ACTION
CORONA							
Sortie (9053)	Thor	21-28 Mar	USSR (Primary)	Special Group	31 Jan		Originally scheduled for 22 March has slipped to 25 March due launcher problems.

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